

ORNEY DOCKET NUMBER: NITT.0042

jc872 U.S. PTO

09/977334



10/16/01

Transmitted herewith for filing is the Utility patent application of:

INVENTOR:	Hiroyuki HAMASAKI, Takashi MIYAMOTO, Hiroshi TAKEDA, Jun SATO, Kenichiro OMURA and Kazushige AYUKAWA
FOR:	DIGITAL DATA DECOMPRESSING SYSTEM AND METHOD

Enclosed are:

- ☒ 15 sheets of ☐ formal ☐ informal drawings.
- ☒ Notice of Priority to claim priority date of October 17, 2000.
- ☒ An assignment of the invention to Hitachi, Ltd.
- ☒ An Executed Declaration

☒ The filing fee is calculated as shown below:

FOR	NUMBER FILED		NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	CALCULATIONS
TOTAL CLAIMS	11	-20	0	x\$18 =	00.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	4	-3	1	x\$84 =	84.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable)				+\$280 =	\$0.00
			BASIC FEE		\$740.00
			TOTAL OF ABOVE		824.00
REDUCTION BY ½ FOR FILING BY SMALL ENTITY (note 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9, 1.27, 1.28). IF APPLICABLE, VERIFIED STATEMENT MUST BE ATTACHED					
				TOTAL	824.00

- ☐ Please charge my **Deposit Account Number** _____ in the amount of _____ to cover the filing and assignment recordation fees. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.
- ☒ A check in the amount of **\$864.00** to cover the filing and assignment recordation fees is enclosed.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication, including patent application filing fees and processing fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and 1.17, or credit any overpayment to **Deposit Account Number 08-1480**.

Respectfully submitted,

Stanley P. Fisher
Registration Number 24,344

JUAN CARLOS A. MARQUEZ
Registration No. 34.072

REED SMITH HAZEL & THOMAS LLP
3110 Fairview Park Drive
Suite 1400
Falls Church, Virginia 22042
(703) 641-4200

October 16, 2001

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

jc872 U.S. PTO
09/977334
10/16/01

In re U.S. Patent Application of)
HAMASAKI et al)
Application Number: To Be Assigned)
Filed: Concurrently Herewith)
For: **DIGITAL DATA DECOMPRESSING**)
SYSTEM AND METHOD)

Honorable Assistant Commissioner
for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

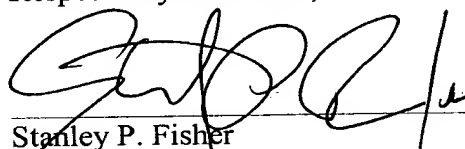
**REQUEST FOR PRIORITY
UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 119
AND THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION**

Sir:

In the matter of the above-captioned application for a United States patent, notice is hereby given that the Applicant claims the priority date of October 17, 2000, the filing date of the corresponding Japanese patent application 2000-316093.

The certified copy of corresponding Japanese patent application 2000-316093 will be submitted when received from Applicants. Acknowledgment of receipt of the certified copy is respectfully requested in due course.

Respectfully submitted,



Stanley P. Fisher
Registration Number 24,344

REED SMITH HAZEL & THOMAS LLP
3110 Fairview Park Drive
Suite 1400
Falls Church, Virginia 22042
(703) 641-4200
October 16, 2001

JUAN CARLOS A. MARQUEZ
Registration No. 34,072

THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

ATTORNEY DOCKET NUMBER: NITT.0042

10/16/01
09/977334
Jc872 U.S. PTO

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the Utility patent application of:

INVENTOR:	Hiroyuki HAMASAKI, Takashi MIYAMOTO, Hiroshi TAKEDA, Jun SATO, Kenichiro OMURA and Kazushige AYUKAWA
FOR:	DIGITAL DATA DECOMPRESSING SYSTEM AND METHOD

Enclosed are:

- ☒ 15 sheets of ☐ formal ☐ informal drawings.
- ☒ Notice of Priority to claim priority date of October 17, 2000.
- ☒ An assignment of the invention to Hitachi, Ltd.
- ☒ An Executed Declaration

☒ The filing fee is calculated as shown below:

FOR	NUMBER FILED		NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	CALCULATIONS
TOTAL CLAIMS	11	-20	0	x\$18 =	00.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	4	-3	1	x\$84 =	84.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable)				+\$280 =	\$0.00
				BASIC FEE	\$740.00
				TOTAL OF ABOVE	824.00
REDUCTION BY 1/2 FOR FILING BY SMALL ENTITY (note 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9, 1.27, 1.28). IF APPLICABLE, VERIFIED STATEMENT MUST BE ATTACHED					
				TOTAL	824.00

- ☐ Please charge my **Deposit Account Number** _____ in the amount of _____ to cover the filing and assignment recordation fees. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.
- ☒ A check in the amount of **\$864.00** to cover the filing and assignment recordation fees is enclosed.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication, including patent application filing fees and processing fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and 1.17, or credit any overpayment to **Deposit Account Number 08-1480**.

Respectfully submitted,

Stanley P. Fisher
Registration Number 24,344

JUAN CARLOS A. MARQUEZ
Registration No. 34,072

REED SMITH HAZEL & THOMAS LLP
3110 Fairview Park Drive
Suite 1400
Falls Church, Virginia 22042
(703) 641-4200

October 16, 2001